



**In re U.S. Patent Application of**

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**For: FABRIC AND METHOD FOR SHARING AN I/O  
DEVICE AMONG VIRTUAL MACHINES FORMED IN  
A COMPUTER SYSTEM**

## Art Unit 2181

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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on October 31, 2006, the period of response to which is set to expire on January 31, 2007, with the payment of the appropriate government extension fee for one month. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows: